



Montana Credit Unions for Community Development (MCUCD)

Helena, Montana

Project Title	Montana Students Save for Higher Education IDA Project
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AFI Grant Amount	\$52,000
Nonfederal Support	\$138,549
Project Period	February 1, 2006 - January 31, 2011
Highlights	The Montana Students Save for Higher Education IDA Project will provide 30 participants with access to IDAs for post-secondary education. Participants may save up to \$500 of earned income, which will be matched at a rate of \$6 to \$1 resulting in \$3,000 in additional funds for tuition or other eligible education costs. The program features competency in counseling and training on education and career topics, and established relationships with state universities.
Target Population	Low-income high school students and working adults in Montana.
Grantee/Collaborative Description	The Montana Credit Unions for Community Development (MCUCD), a subsidiary of the Montana Credit Union League, is a statewide nonprofit organization with the mission of creating financial independence for all Montanans. MCUCD is partnering with the Student Assistance Foundation (SAF), which has the mission to help Montana students pursue post-secondary education. Several credit unions will hold the accounts throughout the state.